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In re Application of:

Valery Dubin et al.
Serial No.: 09/970723Filed: Herewith 10-3-01For: ELECTROPLATING BATH
COMPOSITION AND METHOD OF USING

Which is a Divisional of Application of:

Serial No: 09/560,671

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Washington, D.C. 20231Examiner: Not yet assigned Leader
Art Unit: Not yet assigned 1741PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request that this Preliminary Amendment be entered prior to examination of the above-identified patent application.

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IN THE SPECIFICATION

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IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-18 without prejudice.

If there are any additional charges, please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2666.

Respectfully submitted,

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